

no bounds. Chuck has also volunteered his time for the Greater Green Bay Chamber of Commerce, the local YMCA, St. Vincent's Hospital, Downtown Green Bay, Inc., and much more.

Under his direction, the Procter & Gamble Co. in Green Bay has given hundreds of thousands of dollars to area charities and civic organizations. Those dollars do not even begin to indicate the hundreds of hours that Chuck personally has given to the Green Bay community.

Somehow I suspect that Chuck's retirement will actually just mean that we will see him more in the community. I am certain that he will remain active and committed, because that is who he is.

Everywhere that Chuck has lived, he has reached out and given his time and effort to help others. He deserves our praise today because of the difference he has made in the lives of those around him. Today, we thank Chuck Johnson for all of the hard work he has done, we congratulate him on his many achievements and we wish him great luck in the years ahead.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO GARY CITY COUNCILMAN CLEO WESSON

**HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 23, 1997*

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor to congratulate a long-time friend of mine, Gary City Councilman Cleo Wesson, on his receipt of the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns [IACT], 1997 Meritorious Service Award. Cleo will receive this honor tomorrow, September 24, at the IACT annual conference, which is being held at the Fort Wayne Hilton in Fort Wayne, IN.

The Meritorious Service Award is presented by AICT to Indiana public figures who have devoted 40 years or more of noteworthy service to their communities. Cleo Wesson, who has displayed outstanding leadership qualities as a Gary City Councilmember for 38 years, has been selected as one of two people in the State of Indiana to receive the Meritorious Service Award, an honor which is in its first year of existence.

Cleo began his distinguished career of service when he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force upon his graduation from Gary Roosevelt High School. After his return from the military, Cleo began his political career when he was elected to the Gary Common Council in 1959. As the representative of Gary's Fifth District, Cleo has served in a variety of roles, including Precinct and Vice Committeeman, and 7-year president of the Common Council. He has served on every council committee, been elected delegate to the State Democratic Convention, and has served as Secretary to the Lake County Democratic Central Committee for a number of years. In recognition of his years of service, Cleo earned the title "Dean of the Gary Common Council" on May 16 of this year.

During his tenure as councilman, Cleo has worked tirelessly toward the betterment of the entire City of Gary. The construction of three neighborhood parks in the Fifth District, the effective restructuring of the police department,

and the ordinance establishing in house demolition, were all projects conceived of and/or sponsored by Cleo Wesson. It was through the in house demolition ordinance that the unsightly junk yard at 21st and Madison Street was demolished, and in its place the Barbara Leek Wesson Community Center was erected. Other projects Cleo undertook include the relocation of the No. 4 fire station to 25th and Madison Street, the establishment of the Gary Community Mental Health Facility, and the founding of the Marina Committee and the Historical and Cultural Society.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in commending Cleo Wesson on his receipt of the 1997 Meritorious Service Award. His numerous endeavors in the field of public service have left an indelible mark on the city of Gary, as well as Indiana's First Congressional District.

#### TRIBUTE TO THE EUREKA RESCUE MISSION

**HON. FRANK RIGGS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 23, 1997*

Mr. RIGGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Eureka Rescue Mission and Family Shelter on its 13th anniversary. Located in Humboldt County on California's north coast, which I am privileged to represent in Congress, the mission is a model of faith-based community service.

The Eureka Rescue Mission was founded as a nondenominational Christian organization serving the homeless, needy, and poor of the city of Eureka and all of California's north coast. The mission, formerly the old Bay Hotel, was purchased for \$11,000 in 1967 and dedicated to the Lord on February 27th of that year.

All the years since, the Eureka Rescue Mission has provided help, food, shelter, counseling, and hope to those in need. Poor families and individuals find food, clothing, and shelter; those suffering from addiction find counseling and recovery programs; those who have stumbled and need guidance find instruction and support.

I wish the Eureka Rescue Mission every success in the years to come as they look to expand their good works and extend their helping hand even farther. The dedicated and hard-working people who make the mission work, while taking no government money, provide a rich example to us all. They represent the full measure of Christian charity.

#### MAINTAINING TRADE FAIRNESS

**HON. MARCY KAPTUR**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 23, 1997*

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to discuss the importance of maintaining trade fairness and how that fairness has been restricted in our trade relations with Japan.

Some of you may know about the market access case the United States Government filed against the Government of Japan before the World Trade Organization concerning

consumer film and photographic paper. Eastman Kodak Company has been routinely prevented from competing fairly in Japan by the Japanese Government, which has been protecting Fuji film, the domestic film manufacturer. For over 30 years, the Japanese Government has worked closely with Japanese business, using non-tariff barriers, unspoken agreements, and implicit understandings to keep foreign competition out of the Japanese market.

This case has far-reaching and precedent-setting ramifications. Why? First, this case highlights the nature of our trade relationship with Japan, where trade fairness has been a recurring concern. Japan is America's second largest trade partner but maintains America's largest trade deficit, which is 43 percent of our total trade deficit. Second, this case centers around the future of the WTO as an effective forum to settle international trade conflicts.

The ramifications of the photographic film and paper case before the WTO are immense. At stake is the future of free and open market access not just for film, but, for all companies looking to trade with Japan. I urge the administration to press the WTO to bring this complaint to a conclusion.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JAMES L. OBERSTAR**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 23, 1997*

Mr. OBERSTAR. Mr. Speaker, last week, when the House of Representatives considered H.R. 2378, the fiscal year 1998 Treasury-Postal-General Government appropriations bill; House Resolution 168, the House Ethics Reform recommendations; and House Resolution 233, a resolution concerning the House floor privileges of former House Member Robert Dornan, my vote was not recorded.

On approval of H.R. 2378, I was unavoidably detained in a meeting with constituents and the following day, I was in Minnesota to care for my mother who had suffered a serious heart attack.

Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on H.R. 2378, rollcall No. 403; I would have voted "nay" on the motion to adjourn, rollcall No. 405; I would have voted "aye" on the approval of the House Journal, rollcall, No. 406; I would have vote "nay" on the previous question on House Resolution 168, rollcall No. 407; I would have voted "aye" on the Livingston amendment to House Resolution 168, rollcall No. 408; I would have voted "nay" on the Murtha amendment to House Resolution 168, rollcall No. 409; I would have voted "nay" on the Tauzin amendment to House Resolution 168, rollcall No. 410; I would have voted "nay" on the Bunning amendment to House Resolution 168, rollcall No. 411; I would have voted "aye" on the Cardin motion to recommit House Resolution 168, rollcall No. 412; I would have voted "nay" on final passage of House Resolution 168, rollcall No. 413; I would have voted "nay" on the Stearns motion to table House Resolution 233, rollcall No. 414; and I would voted "aye" on House Resolution 233, rollcall No. 415.